

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the 9<sup>th</sup> full paragraph on page 3 (lines 16-21) as follows:

Referring now to Figure 1, a sheet 1 is illustrated. It comprises a central panel 2 with margins 3 folded over onto same; thereby creating a rectangular area defined by edges 7. As shown in dotted lines, the top edge 4 and bottom edge 5, in a sheet according to known envelope sheet design, are sewn across in transverse lines. These edges may have binding attached for additional strength, if desired. When applied to a mattress, the corners 6 at the ends of the top 4 and bottom edges of the sheet tend to form ears.

Please amend the 11<sup>th</sup> full paragraph, beginning on page 3 (line 27) and ending on page 4 (line3) as follows:

A cutting pattern for a further form of sheet is shown in Figure 2. A tube 9 of knit fabric is slit in a lengthwise direction along one edge 10. A cutting line 11 is then established at each end of the slit tube. The cutting line extends from a point 12 near the folded, unslit edge of the tube, to a point 13 on the slit edge, at an angle of from about 5° to about 30°, preferably about 10° from the horizontal. Alternatively, the cutting line 11 can be made generally convexly arcuate from point 12 to point 13 to create an arcuate edge, such as edge 8 illustrated in Figure 1.